



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

910TH Airlift Wing (AFRC)

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COLONEL MELVIN L. JEFFERS

Colonel Melvin L. Jeffers is the commander of the 910th Support Group at Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ohio. Colonel Jeffers is responsible for the management of the Security Forces Squadron, Civil Engineering Squadron, Services Squadron, Mission Support Squadron and the Communications Flight. He has served in this position since July 1999. An Air Reserve Technician (ART) since 1988, Colonel Jeffers has a diverse background in Supply, Transportation, Logistics Plans and the support community.



After graduating from the University of Arkansas, Colonel Jeffers taught secondary school for one year. He graduated from the Air Force Officer Training School (OTS) in 1974 and attended the Supply Operation Officer Course at Lowry AFB, Colo. Upon completion of the course, Colonel Jeffers was assigned to Grand Forks AFB, N.D., where he served as Officer-in-Charge of the Maintenance-Supply Liaison Office. In 1975, Colonel Jeffers was reassigned to Little Rock AFB, Ark., as Maintenance-Supply Liaison Officer. In 1979, he was reassigned to Altus AFB, Okla., as the Customer Support Officer Branch Chief in Base Supply. In 1980, he was reassigned to Hofn Naval Installation, Iceland as OIC, Logistics Branch. Responsibilities included supply, transportation, services and wing budget. This was a one-year remote tour of duty. In 1981, he was reassigned to Little Rock AFB Ark., as OIC, Supply Operations, 2nd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron. In 1985, he was reassigned to Tinker AFB, Okla., Air Force Communications Command (AFCC), Engineering Installation Division as Supply/Equipment Inspection for Air National Guard squadrons located throughout the United States.

In 1987, Colonel Jeffers separated from active duty and entered the Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) Program at Tinker AFB, Okla. In 1988, he entered the ART program at Richards-Gebaur ARB, Mo., as Wing Accountable Officer for the BOS Contract for Supply, Transportation, Fuels and Data Automation and Logistics Quality Assurance Evaluators. In 1992, he was reassigned to Chief of Logistics Plans. In 1996, Colonel Jeffers became the Deputy Support Group Commander for the 442nd Fighter Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo., In 1999, he was reassigned to the 910th Airlift Wing, Youngstown ARS, Ohio.

EDUCATION:

1973 Bachelor of Arts Degree, History & Political Science, University Of Arkansas
1974 Air Force Officer Training School (OTS), San Antonio, Texas
1984 Squadron Officer School
1985 Air Command and Staff College
1986 Master of Arts, Business
1998 Air War College
1998 Support Group Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1999 – Present Support Group Commander, 910th Airlift Wing (AFRC), Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ohio
1997 – 1999 Deputy Support Group Commander, 442nd Fighter Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
1994 – 1997 Wing Plans Officer, 442nd Fighter Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
1992 – 1994 Wing Plans Officer, 442nd Fighter Wing, Richards-Gebaur ARS, Mo.
1988 – 1992 Logistics Accountable Officer, 442nd Fighter Wing, Richards-Gebaur ARS, Mo.
1987 – 1988 Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA), Logistics Directorate for Item Management Division (AFLC) Tinker AFB, Okla.
1984 – 1987 Mission Support Chief, Logistics Directorate, HQ Engineering Installation Division, Tinker AFB, Okla.
1981 – 1984 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, Wing OIC, Materiel Control Section, Maintenance Control Branch, Logistics Group, Little Rock, Ark.
1980 – 1981 Logistics Officer, 667th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, Hofn Naval Installation, Iceland
1979 – 1980 443rd Supply Squadron, Customer Support Branch Chief, Altus AFB, Okla.
1975 – 1977 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, 2nd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron, Logistics Officer, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
1974 – 1975 OIC Maintenance Support Chief, 321st Supply Squadron, Grand Forks, N.D.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal (Two Oak Leaf Clusters), AF Commendation Medal, AF Achievement Medal (One Oak Leaf Cluster), ADF Reserve Medal, National Defense Medal, AF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon, AF Outstanding Unit Award, AF Organization Excellence Award, AF Longevity Service Award (Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster), AF Training Ribbon, Small Arms Expert Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant – March 1974
First Lieutenant – September 1977
Captain – October 1981
Major – October 1988
Lieutenant Colonel – June 1995
Colonel – February 2000

(Current as of October 2000)